

MAINE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB

2023 MAINE TRAIL CREW PROJECTS



The Maine Trail Crew is a joint venture between the Maine AT Club and the Appalachian Trail Conservancy that is dedicated to repairing steep and washed-out sections of the AT.

Volunteers are welcome to join us for one to six weeks from **June 19 - August 24, 2023.**

Projects run from Monday morning (you must arrive Sunday by 4pm) to Thursday or Friday.

Fourth Mountain

6 weeks, June 19 - July 27

This section of the AT was built in 1933 and is steep and eroding. It follows the fall line along a narrow ridge with no opportunity for relocation. The crew will install 98 stone steps (stairs) and 36 flat step-stones.

The crew will car camp and hike a moderate 1-2 miles to the worksite each day.



Maine Trail Crew projects involve construction in wilderness conditions. MTC will provide safety gear such as hard hats and eye protection. You must bring sturdy boots, long pants, and work gloves. We will send you a Recommended Gear List to so that you are prepared and ready to work!

Namahkanta Stream

3 weeks, August 7 - 24

The AT follows Namahkanta Stream from Namahkanta Lake and Pemadumcook Lake.

Starting at Tumbledown Dick Stream, the crew will install 49 flat step-stones and 25 stone steps (stairs) over 3,400 linear feet. This section has one eroded short area and many poorly drained and muddy places. If not stabilized, hikers will skirt the mudholes, making the area of impact larger.

The crew will car camp on the shores of Namahkanta Stream, and hike a short distance to the worksite each day.



COME WORK WITH US!

Contact for more information or a volunteer application at:

coordinator@matc.org

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VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Join the Maine Trail Crew and work on some of the most pristine, remote sections of Maine's Appalachian Trail. Help preserve this precious and wild resource for future generations of hikers. An enthusiastic staff awaits your arrival and is looking forward to building trail with you.

Projects focus on rebuilding and restoring heavily impacted sections of the Appalachian Trail. Crews utilize rigging equipment and hand tools to build stone steps and waterbars.

Persons 18 years or older of all background are welcome. Enthusiasm, good health, energy, and adaptability are vital. Willingness to follow instructions, comply with safety rules, and shares chores is essential. Experience helps, but we teach trail skills.

Benefits:

- Transportation to and from Portland, ME air, train, and bus terminals
- Tents and packs provided if needed
- Housing and meals provided as well as transportation to project sites
- Days off housing at Lake George Regional Park in Skowhegan, Maine.
- Trail work training including stonework
- Enjoy hiking and camping on the Appalachian Trail
- Receive a Maine Trail Crew T-shirt
- Connection to a network of Appalachian Trail volunteers dedicated to maintaining and preserving the Appalachian Trail in Maine

Proof of COVID-19 vaccination required.

Sorry, no pets are allowed.



To reserve space, please complete the application found here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdczJfdmLbslQagUJc9zed8w44asYOPE7qyYg4bVOKl_Gpg_A/viewform?usp=sf_link

Upon receiving your application, we will contact you to set up a phone or video meeting.



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